

## Dancing Dustbins

- Dance for 3 couples in a 4 couple longwise set 8x32 bar Jig
- 1-4 1<sup>st</sup> couple set and cast off two places. 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> couples step up on bars 3 and 4.
- 5-8 1<sup>st</sup> couple turn right hand and lead up one place **while** 2<sup>nd</sup> couple set and cast off two places. 3<sup>rd</sup> couple step up on bars 7 and 8.
- 9-12 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> couples turn right hand and lead up one place **while** 3<sup>rd</sup> couple set and cast off two places.
- 13-16 1<sup>st</sup> couple cast off one place and set advancing, pulling right shoulder back to finish back to back in 2<sup>nd</sup> place facing own sides **while** 2<sup>nd</sup> couple turn right hand and lead up one place **while** 3<sup>rd</sup> couple turn right hand.
- 17-24 1<sup>st</sup> couple dance double triangles with 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> couples.
- 25-32 1<sup>st</sup> couple dance reels of three across the dance, 1<sup>st</sup> man with 2<sup>nd</sup> couple and 1<sup>st</sup> lady with 3<sup>rd</sup> couple. 1<sup>st</sup> man gives right shoulder to 2<sup>nd</sup> man and 1<sup>st</sup> lady gives right shoulder to 3<sup>rd</sup> lady to begin.

Repeat, having passed a couple.

Written at 5am while sitting with my 3 week-old daughter Lorna trying to get her off to sleep. We were listening to George Meikle on Highlander Music CD 10, (because dancing music lulled her) and the tune Donald Iain Rankin came up in the set for Spiffin', and I started thinking about how it makes my wife think of dustbins dancing around, and of the song she has put to it:

*What will I do with the fuss and the bother  
And what will I do when the budgie escapes?*

Presented to her on our third wedding anniversary on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October 2002 (when Lorna was 5½ weeks old), with much love.

**Tune:** Donald Iain Rankine (Andrew Rankine)

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